FIRE PARTMENT

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

FIRE DEPARTMENT

. 1320 NORTH EASTERN AVENUE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90063-3294 (323) 881-2401

P. MICHAEL FREEMAN FIRE CHIEF FORESTER & FIRE WARDEN

January 13, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$78,000 FROM THE CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF BOATING AND WATERWAYS
FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR
LIFEGUARD RESCUE BOAT OPERATIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE APPROPRIATION
ADJUSTMENT TO RECOGNIZE THE GRANT REVENUE
(3RD AND 4TH DISTRICTS)(4 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Los Angeles County Fire Department Lifeguard Division has been approved to receive a Miscellaneous Equipment Grant provided by the Department of Boating and Waterways. This Board Letter is the next step in the grant process to enable the Lifeguard Division to accept \$78,000 to procure two (2) Rescue Boat Engines as well as Miscellaneous Underwater Rescue and Recovery Equipment.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and instruct the Chair to accept a \$78,000 grant from the California
Department of Boating and Waterways for the purpose of purchasing equipment for
the Los Angeles County Lifeguard Rescue Boat Operations and Underwater
Rescue and Recovery Unit.

SERVING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF:

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- 2. Authorize Fire Chief P. Michael Freeman to sign the Agreement with the California Department of Boating and Waterways.
- 3. Approve the attached Appropriation Adjustment recognizing \$78,000 in grant revenue from the California Department of Boating and Waterways.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This Agreement will provide the Lifeguards with a grant of \$78,000 for the purchase of two (2) Rescue Boat engines and miscellaneous Underwater Rescue and Recovery Unit equipment.

The purchase of these engines will provide the necessary replacement of Rescue Boat engines that are 17 years old. This would assist Lifeguard Rescue Boat Operations in maintaining quality public safety to the boating and beach community within Los Angeles County. The purchase of miscellaneous dive equipment will supplement equipment for the Underwater Rescue and Recovery Unit to effectively respond to underwater incidents throughout the County and beyond as requested.

Annually approximately 55 million people visit the beaches of Los Angeles County. In addition, approximately 13 million people visit County docking/berthing areas annually. These areas are patrolled by the Lifeguard Rescue Boat Fleet and are protected by the Los Angeles County Lifeguards.

The Lifeguard Rescue boat fleet operates along the 72 miles of Los Angeles County Coastline, as well as 40 miles around Catalina Island. The fleet is also available to respond to emergency calls as far north as Ventura County and as far south as Orange County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Your Board's approval of the attached appropriation adjustment will provide the necessary funds to purchase two (2) engines for a Lifeguard Rescue Boat, as well as dive equipment. This purchase will also lower future maintenance costs for the boat.

There is no impact to net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

The Board of Supervisor's authorization is a grant requirement. Los Angeles County meets or exceeds all State grant requirements.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

This contract will assist the Lifeguard Rescue Boat Operations and the Underwater Rescue and Recovery Unit in supporting the Lifeguard Division's ongoing commitment to provide exemplary emergency services for the 55 million visitors who visit our beaches annually.

The engines that will be replaced are 17 years old and susceptible to frequent breakdown. New engines will be beneficial in maintaining available and reliable rescue resources, and will lower the annual cost of boat maintenance.

CONCLUSION:

Upon approval by the Board of Supervisor's, please instruct the Executive Officer to return four (4) adopted copies of this letter and Minute Order to the Fire Chief's Executive Office:

Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County Executive Office 1320 N. Eastern Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90063

Respectfully submitted

PMF:ck

Enclosure

c: Executive Officer

Chief Executive Office

Auditor-Controller County Counsel

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPT'S.

No.

390-10

DEPARTMENT OF FIRE

NOVEMBER 25, 2008

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

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Special Fund - DA1 See Attached

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JUSTIFICATION

The Appropriation Adjustment is necessary to purchase two engines for the Rescue Boat and dive equipment.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELE

Chief, Financial Management Division

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE SHEET 3 2009

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR - ACTION

APPROVED AS REQUESTED

RECOMMENDATION

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BY

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

APPROVED (AS REVISED): BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 20

2008

BY DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

4-Vote Fiscal Year 2008-09

SOURCES:

Fire Department Lifeguard Federal - Other DA1-FR-90-9001-40100-40055 \$ 78,000 USES:

Fire Department Lifeguard Services & Supplies DA1-FR-2000-40100-40055 \$ 11,000

Fire Department
Lifeguard
Fixed Assets = EQUIPMENT
DA1-FR-6030-40100-40055
\$ 67,000

Summary Total:

Sources: \$ 78,000

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